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STOCKPILE AMENDS FERROMANGANESE SOLICITATION

Fort Belvoir, VA—The Defense National Stockpile Center today issued Amendment No. 002 to Solicitation of Offers DLA-FERROMANGANESE-003. The amendment invites offers for the sale of 9,000 short tons of high carbon ferromanganese.

Initial offers will be due by 3:00 p.m., local time on March 25, 2003, at 8725 John J. Kingman Road, Suite 3229, Fort Belvoir, VA 22060-6223 or via fax to the attention of the Bid Custodian at (703) 767-5541. If all the material is not sold, subsequent offers will be held quarterly with initial offers due on the fourth Tuesday of June and, if necessary, September of 2003.

Copies of the sales documents are available from DNSC web site: <https://www.dnsc.dla.mil>. Inquiries should be directed to Angela Mattox (703) 767-5515.